the case. A recent review conducted in the matter had shown that some of the cases could not be settled earlier due to certain special feature.

(b) There are standing orders of the Government to monitor the progress of family pension cases for their expeditious settlement. The position is monitered regularly.

(c) and (d) Pension Branch under the direct supervision of a Gazetted Officer is already functioning in the office of the Postmaster General, West Bengal Circle to look after family pension cases.

(e) Details of cases settled during the last 6 months are furnished in the Statement.

Statement

Statement showing details of cases settled during last six months.

Sl. No.	Name of the official	Settled on
1.	Family Pension case of late Shri T. R. Sharma, PA, Gangtok	15-1-93
2.	Family Pension case of late Shri Atul Chowdhary, P.A. Midnapore Dn.	28-1-93
3.	Family Pension case of late Shri Ram Krishna Balmiki, Gr. 'D' Foreign Post, Calcutta	19-2-93
4.	Family Pension case of late Shri Amarendra Nat Ghosh, LSG, Calcutta, GPO.	4-3-93
5.	Family Pension case of late Shri Mukunda Charan, Postman, Cooch-behar Dn.	22-3-93
6.	Family Pension case of late Shri Muneswar, LSG, Coochbehar Dn.	29-3-93
7.	Family Pension case of late Shri Lalith Kumar Roy, Postman, Coochbehar Dn.	12-4-93
8.	Family Pension case of late Shri Agniswar Barman, Gr. 'D', Coochbehar Dn.	12-4-93
9.	Family Pension case of late Shri Haripada Banerjee, Jalpaiguri Dn.	13-4-93
10.	Family Pension case of late Shri Kali Pada Mondal, Gr. 'D', Calcutta, GPO	June, 93
11.	Family Pension case of late Shri Umadas Banerjee, Gr. 'D', Calcutta, GPO	June, 93

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2537. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

SHRI S. VIDUTHALAI VIRUMBI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) when the Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Ltd. was introduced in Bombay and Delhi and how many times did each Nigam bring out their Telephone Directory so far;

(b) state the year of publication of the direct supervision of a Gazetted

(c) by when will the next issue of telephone directory be published by each Nigam?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) MTNL was formed on 1-4-86. Details of the years during which telephone directories were publisned are given in the Statement (*See* below) which is placed on the Table of the House.

(c) Next main issue of Telephone Directory is expected in 1994 for both Delhi and Bombay.

Statement

	DELHI	BOMBAY
English Main	1986	1986
	1988	1988
	1989	1992
	1992	
Supplementary (English)	1987	1986
	1988	1988
	1990	1989
		1991
Hindi Main	1988	1988
	1991	1990
Supplementary (Hindi)	..	1991

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2538. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item published in the 'Hindustan Times' of 31st July, 1993 (page 14) caption "Telecom staff not against liberalisation" but against the outright sale of the department and appointment of non-technical man to head the Telecom Commission and non formulation by Government so far of National Telecom Policy;

(b) whether Government have received any Joint Memo from the ITSA (The Indian Telecom Service Association) National Federation of Telecom Employees, the Federation of National Telecom Organisations and the Bharatiya Telecom Employees Federation with regard to (a) above; and

(c) if so, what steps Government have taken so far for reorganisation of the Telecom Department with a view to improve its quality of service and particularly ITSA's demand for appointment of such a person at its head who has a deep/thorough knowledge of advanced telecommunication technology which was changing at very rapid rate instead of appointing an IAS non-technical man?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) As rgards the need to improve the quality of service and attend to matters relating to rapid)change in technology, the Government is fully seized of the need for the re-organisation of the telecommunications Department, keeping in view amongst other things, the recommendations of the Athreya Committee as also the Committee appointed for suggesting amendments to the Indian Telegraphs Act. As regards appointment of Chairman Telecom Commission Government has acted fully within the terms of the Government of India's